Renting Telephone alongwith premises

2207. SHRI S. MADHAVAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Madras Telephone Department propose to permit the owners of apartments, with phone facility, to rent out the telephone alongwith the premises to commercial establishments as in the case of residential buildings; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Revenue from International Telecom

2208. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what was the revenue collection during the last three years, year-wise from international telecommunication;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is a sharp increase in revenue from international telecommunication since announcement of liberalisation globalisation of economy and if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what other measures are proposed to be taken during the current year and during the year 1993-94 to strengthen international communication ,

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) Sir, the revenue collected from international telecommunication by Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (VSNL) an undertaking of the Department of Telecom during the last three years is as under .—

1989-90	Rs. 328.42 crores
1990-91	Rs. 395.43 crores
1991-92	Rs. 616.53 crores

The revenue cited above is exclusive of the domestic revenue collected for the haulage of international calls in the domestic sector.

(b) Liberalisation/globalisation of economy can be one of the factor only for which there is no data available. The factors leading to sharp increase in revenue in the year 1991-92 can be summarised as under :—

(i) Addition of new telephone terminations in the VSNL's International Gateway Telephony switches, creating more outlets, and

(ii) Increase in revenue on account of changes in Foreign Exchange parity, and

(iii) Better Management and Quality Control of Network.

(c) To strengthen international telecommunication during the current year and during the year 1993-94, some of the measures under implementation are :

(i) Augmentation of International switching capacities by adding 11,000 additional terminations in the International Gateway Telephony switches by June, 1993.

(ii) Construction of two standard-A (18 meter diameter) Intelsat Earth Stations at Calcutta and Madras to increase satellite transmission capacities to these Regions. These stations are expected to be commissioned for service by March, 1994.

(iii) Speeding up provision of high speed (64 Kbps and higher speed) leased data lines for customers.

(iv) Implementation of the multinational South East Asia-Middle East-Western Europe (SEA-ME-WE-2) Submarine Fibre Optic Cable link